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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2003 for four(4) month(s) from January 4, 2004 to May 4, 2004. An RCE and accompanying Amendment is being filed concurrently herewith.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0750/CDS-221/CKG in the name of Johnson & Johnson for the cost of filing this Petition. Three copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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